2276 given the Rajya. Sabha on the 17th December, 1993 and state ;

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have not yet received the decision of the concerned Administrative Ministry for redressal of the grievances of handicapped employees in PSUs ;

(b) whether certain PSUs have been dragging the handicapped employees in court case without giving them the sym-pathits, as they might be. deserving;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) what further steps would be taken to resolve such disputes even outside the courts ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WELFARE (SHRI K. V. THANGKA BALU) : (a) to (d) The redressal grievances of employees of the Public Sector Undertakings (PSUs) including handicapped employees falls within the adipinistrative ambit of the concerned PSU. If any complaint is received in the Ministry of Welfare the same forwarded to the concerned administrative Ministry/DepU. for remedial action.

Central scheme for assistance to voluntaiy Organisations

5207. MISS SAROJ KHAPARDE : Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether there is any Central Scheme for providing assis.ance to voluntary Organisations engaged in serving persorts with cerebral Palsy and Mental Retardation for manpower development ; and

(b) if so. the retails thereof .'

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WELFARE (SHRI K. V. THANGKA BALU) : (a) Yes. Sir.

(b) Under the Scheme, assistance is given to voluntary organisations for manpower development in the field of Cerebral Palsy and Mental Retardation to the extent of 100 per cent. .Assistance is given only to :hose teachers training courses which are recognised by Rehabilitation Council of India. The applications are onsidered for grant oa being recommended by the concerned State Govemments/ UTs. In the year 1993-94, 10 voluntary organisations were assisted with Rs. 30 lakhs.

District RcliabiTitat|ion Scheme

5208. MISS SAROJ KHAPARDE : Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the Central Government had launched the District Re habilitation Scheme in early 1985 for pro viding a package of rehabilitation services to the rural disabled ;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the progress made in this Scheme so far, including the names of the States in which the scheme is under implemen tation and the number of Districts covered under the' scheme ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WELFARE (SHRI K. V. THANGKA BALU) : (a) Yes Sir,

(b) There are ll District Rehabilita tion Centres working in 10 States. The scheme envisages services to locomotor disabled speech & hearing impaired, visu ally impuned, mentally handicapped and multiple handicapped persons. The Ser vices provided under the Schems are placed as Statement-I *(See* below). Apart-from that there are 4 Regional Rehabili tation Training Centres (RRTCs) in Lucknow, Madras, Cuttack and Bombay to provide technical support to the District Rehabilitation Centres in the area of trained professional manpower, paramedi cal and field workers.

(c) The progress made so far under the scheme is placed as staiement-II and statemest-.III

Statement-I

Services provided to the handicapped persons under the District Rehabilitation .Centre Scheme.

(a) Prevention and Early Detection;